FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20426

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In Reply Refer To: Pacific Gas and Electric Company Docket No. ER06-33-000

Pacific Gas and Electric Company
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Dear Mr. Middlekauff:

1. On October 13, 2005, Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) filed proposed revisions to PG&E's First Revised Rate Schedule FERC No. 208 for the Reliability Must-Run Service Agreement (RMR Agreement) between PG&E and the California Independent System Operator Corporation (CAISO) for the Humboldt Bay Power Plant (Humboldt Bay). PG&E sought waiver of the Commission's prior notice requirement under section 35.11 of the Commission's regulations, 18 C.F.R. § 35.11 (2005), and requested an effective date of December 1, 2005. The revisions are conditionally accepted, and to track the addition of separate meters allowing separate dispatching of the two units at issue, waiver is granted to allow the revisions to go into effect on December 1, 2005, as requested.

PG&E's Filing

- 2. PG&E states that Schedules A, B, C, and D of the RMR Agreement show unit-specific data for each unit at Humboldt Bay. PG&E notes that because Humboldt Bay Mobile Units 2 and 3 connect to the transmission grid through a single meter, they have been treated as a single unit for RMR dispatch and invoicing purposes. PG&E states that the rate schedule sheets currently in effect show their individual unit values labeled "Data not for dispatch or invoicing" and their combined unit values labeled "Data to be used for dispatch and invoicing."
- 3. Effective December 1, 2005, PG&E states that Mobile Units 2 and 3 will be connected to the transmission grid through separate meters, thus, allowing them to be dispatched individually as needed and PG&E to prepare individual invoices for each unit.

The proposed rate sheets, PG&E asserts, have been modified to delete the labels as well as the values for the combined units. PG&E contends that the values for the individual units have not been changed.

Notices, Interventions and Comments

4. Notice of PG&E's filing was published in the *Federal Register*, 70 Fed. Reg. 61,805 (2005), with protests and interventions due on or before November 3, 2005. The CAISO filed a timely motion to intervene and comments.

Discussion

- 5. Pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 C.F.R. § 385.214 (2005), the timely unopposed motion to intervene serves to make the CAISO a party to this proceeding.
- 6. In its motion to intervene, the CAISO states that there are two steps that PG&E must take to achieve separate metering of Mobile Units 2 and 3: (1) submit for CAISO approval an updated Meter Service Agreement for CAISO Metered Entities (MSA/ISOME) and Participating Generator Agreement (PGA); and (2) submit for CAISO approval a Resource Data Template (RDT). The CAISO contends that these steps must be completed in order to integrate the new meters with the CAISO's operations. Thus, the CAISO requests that the Commission condition its acceptance of the instant filing on PG&E submitting for the CAISO's approval the updated MSA/ISOME, PGA, and RDT. We note that such information on metering requirements can be found in the CAISO's FERC Electric Tariff First Replacement Volume No. 1 at section 10.
- 7. The Commission will conditionally accept the revisions, effective December 1, 2005, provided that PG&E submits the necessary information to the CAISO within 15 days of the date of this order.

By direction of the Commission.

Magalie R. Salas, Secretary.